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Postal Regulatory Commission  
901 New York Avenue, NW, Suite 200  
Washington, DC 20268

**RE: Docket RM2017-3**

Dear Commissioners,

On behalf of Feeding America, I am writing to urge you to reconsider your proposal to increase postal rates at several times the rate of inflation. These increases – which are estimated to reach seven percent per year, or 40 percent compounded over five years, will have a negative impact on our ability to carry out Feeding America's mission to feed Americans facing hunger through a nationwide network of food banks and to engage our country in the fight to end hunger. In service of this mission, last year, Feeding America served more than 40 million people and distributed over 4.2 billion meals in communities across America.

Today, we rely heavily on direct mail for much of our fundraising. The proposed change would greatly devalue our use of postal mail and would inevitably lead us to a further migration from mail to alternative means of fundraising.

Given the negative impact this proposal will have on our organization and our 200-member food banks that also depend on reduced postage for fundraising, Feeding America urges the Postal Regulatory Commission to reconsider this proposal.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Cathy Davis".

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